REMARKS

Claims 1-19 were pending at the time of examination. In this Amendment, the Applicant has amended claims 1, 4-6, 9 and 11-19, and canceled claims 2-3, 7 and 10 from further consideration in this application. The Applicant is <u>not</u> conceding that the subject matter encompassed by claims 1-19 prior to this Amendment is not patentable over the art cited by the Examiner. Claims 1, 4-6, 9 and 11-19 were amended and claims 2-3, 7 and 10 were cancelled in this Amendment solely to facilitate expeditious prosecution of the application. The Applicant respectfully reserves the right to pursue claims, including the subject matter encompassed by the claims as presented prior to this Amendment and any additional claims in one or more continuing applications. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration based on the foregoing amendments and these remarks.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,230,160 B1 to Chan et al. (hereinafter "Chan"), in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,990,653 B1 to Burd et al. (hereinafter "Burd"). The Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

Claim 1 has been amended to more clearly define the subject matter that the Applicant regards as the invention. In particular claim 1 has been amended to clairfy that a given client can only call a user-defined set of specific server-side methods during a specific session.

While Chan, as the Examiner alleges, may show "application domain specific logic" and the generation of "appropriate middleware proxies," there are no restrictions as to what methods the clients in Chan may call, as set forth in amended claim 1. Furthermore, Chan does not discuss session-specific methods, and certainly not session-specific methods that are further limited to only a set of specific server-side methods, as described in claim 1.

These deficiencies are also not cured by Burd, as Burd does not discuss <u>what</u> information is sent to the client, but only how the script is delivered.

Claim 1 has also been amended to incorporate the subject matter of dependent claims 2 and 3, as suggested by the Examiner in the most recent Advisory Action, in order to even further clarify the subject matter that the Applicant regards as the invention. The incorporation of these claims into claim 1 sets forth even further differences from the art of record, as described above. For at least these reasons, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection of claim 1 under 35 U.S.C § 103(a) is unsupported by the art and should be withdrawn.

Independent claim 17 contains similar limitations and was rejected for substantially the same reasons as claim 1. Thus, the Applicant respectfully submits that at least for reasons similar to the reasons that were discussed above with respect to claim 1, the rejection of claim 17 under 35 U.S.C § 103(a) is unsupported by the art and should be withdrawn.

As a result of the amendments to claim 1, dependent claims 2-3, 7 and 10 have been canceled. The remaining dependent claims 4-6, 8-9, 11-16 and 18-19 depend directly from claims 1 and 17, respectively, and contain further distinguishing limitations. Thus, for at least reasons substantially similar to those set forth above, the Applicant respectfully contends that the rejection of dependent claims 4-6, 8-9, 11-16 and 18-19 is unsupported by the cited art and should be withdrawn

Conclusion

The Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

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